Item	Target
Manmade Textiles	1150
Wool & woollen (worsted Fabrics)	315
Silk	330
Handicrafts (a+b)	2240
a. Carpets & other Floor coverings	580
b. Other Handicrafts	1660
Coir	77
Jute	170
TOTAL :	**15532**

Source: Export Promotion Councils

Payment of PF and ESI of workers

3320. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of jute manufacturers are defaulters of workers' Provident Fund and ESI payments;

(b) whether Government have the defaulters' names which it has detected so far, if so, the details thereof for the last three years; and

(c) whether Government propose to ensure regular payment of PF and ESI of the workers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Decline in production of cotton in the country

3321. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH:
DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cotton output in major producing States in the country is showing a steady decline with Punjab recording the highest drop in production of 69 per cent;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore; and

(c) the steps being considered by Government to improve the cotton production in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) and (b) The cotton output in the nine (09) major cotton producing States for the last three years is as follows:

(Production in lakh bales of 170 kgs. each)

Year (Oct.-Sept.)	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01 (Estimated)
States			
Punjab	5.00	8.00	10.00
Haryana	7.00	10.50	11.00
Rajasthan	11.50	13.00	11.00
Gujarat	47.50	28.50	25.00
Maharashtra	26.50	36.50	22.00
M.P.	18.75	15.50	17.00
A.P.	25.00	22.00	26.00
Karnataka	8.75	8.0	8.50
Tamil Nadu	5.50	5.50	5.50
TOTAL :	**155.50**	**147.50**	**136.00**

Source: Cotton Advisory Board

(c) The Government has launched a Technology Mission on Cotton to improve the productivity and quality of cotton in the country including the State of Punjab.

Setting up institutional finance to textile sector

3322. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have estimated the total credit requirement of readymade garment sector;

(b) to what extent that the finance institutions are catering to the total requirement; and

(c) the steps being taken/proposed to set up institutional finance to textile sector?